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Report Highlights:

According to information published by the United Nations Joint Coordination Centre, as of June 20, 2023, approximately one-quarter of all grain and oilseed volumes shipped under the Black Sea Grain Initiative (BSGI) were destined for the People's Republic of China (PRC); making it the single largest recipient of food and feed commodities. Under the plan, which allows for commercial food and fertilizer exports from eligible Ukrainian ports, approximately 32.1 million metric tons (MMT) of food and feed grains and oilseeds have shipped to world markets. Of this volume, over 7.2 MMT were shipped to China, including 5.6 MMT of corn, 1.8 MMT of sunflower seed meal, 370,000 metric tons (MT) of sunflower oil, and 340,000 MT of barley.

Summary

Since the signing of the Black Sea Grain Initiative on July 27, 2022, over 32.1 MMT of grains and vegetable oils have shipped from three eligible Ukrainian ports to 46 countries across Asia, Africa, Europe, and the Middle East. To date, China is the single largest recipient of food commodities shipped under the plan.

Table 1. Black Sea Grain Initiative: Top Shipment Destinations

Destination	Million Metric Tons Shipped	Percent of Total Volume Shipped
China	7.7	24%
Spain	5.9	18%
Türkiye	3.2	10%
Italy	2.1	7%
The Netherlands	1.8	6%
Other	11.4	35%
All countries	32.1	100%

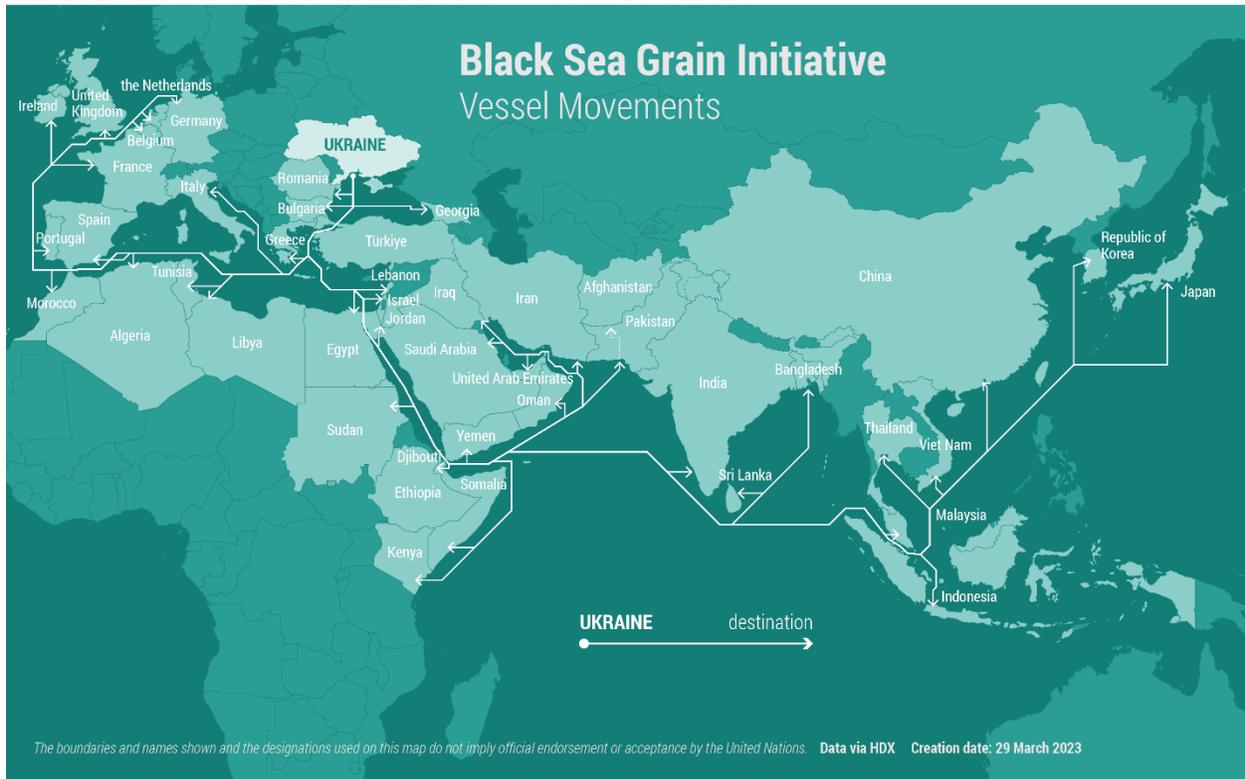
Of the 7.7 MMT of food commodities shipped to China, corn accounted for the largest share (5.6 MMT), followed by sunflower seed meal (1.4 MMT), sunflower oil (370,000 MT) and barley (340,000 MT).

Table 2. Black Sea Grain Initiative: Commodities Shipped to the PRC (Unit: MMT)

	Corn	Sunflower Seed Meal	Sunflower Oil	Barley
Total Shipments Under Black Sea Grain Initiative	16.4	1.8	1.6	1.3
Total Shipments to China	5.6	1.4	0.4	0.3
China as a Percent of Volumes Shipped per Commodity	34.1%	77.8%	25.0%	23.1%

Note: The PRC has not been listed as a cargo destination for any of the 8.8 MMT of wheat, 802 thousand (K) MT of soybeans, 985 KMT of rapeseed, or several other commodities shipped to global markets as part of the BSGI as of June 20, 2023.

Chart 1: Black Sea Grain Initiative: Vessel Movements



Source: Black Sea Grain Initiative Joint Coordination Centre, [Cargo Destinations](#).

Additional Resources:

For additional information on Black Sea food trade and food security, please visit the [USDA Black Sea Grain Food Security Dashboard](#).

Note: Volumes listed in this report are based on data published by the [United Nations Black Sea Grain Initiative Joint Coordination Centre](#) as of the date of this report.

Attachments:

No Attachments.